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REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN

and

Prudential School

COMMITTEE OF THE

TOWN OF HILL.

March 1870

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SELECTMENS REPORT.

The Selectmen of the town of Hill for the year 1869 charge themselves with the following items, viz:

Cash received as follows.

Carr Huse treasurer for 1868		884 88
A. D. Caswell collector for 1866		29 97
J. W. Favor ' ' 1868		276 25
Pliney E. Heath	notes given	600 00
Edward Colby	' '	400 00
M. E. A. Dickerson	' '	100 00
W. H. Hilpert	' '	300 00
W. H. Morril	' '	100 00
Chase W. Colby	' '	141 00
J. R. Rowell	' '	700 00
Dimond Shaw	' '	100 00
A. D. Caswell	' '	150 00
Eliza M. Ward	' '	40 00
Amanda G. Hannaford	' '	40 00
R. M. Davis	' '	100 00
Nancy E. Sargent	' '	40 00
Georgie A. George	' '	50 00
Leroy D. Bartlett note given		100 00
John P. Colby collector for 1867		146 00
Savings bank dividend		165 79
Railroad tax		349 89
Literary fund		40 40
County of Merrimack		233 13
Taxes committed to the collector		5 347 19
		10434 50

Which is accounted for as follows;

Out standing claims prior to March 1869

Paid Carr Huse, services as treasurer for 1868	35 00
' John Flanders Auditor	1 00
' Brown & Dearborn, services as Sup. school com.	10 00
' A. D. Caswell ' ' as collector	4 68
' Dudley & Littlefield damage on highway	8 00
' L. B. Shaw ' ' '	4 50
' O. S. Addison damage to sheep by dogs	23 60

Perley Dickerson	' ' ' '	1 70
G. D. Laney	' ' ' ' '	1 70
I. M. Bishop medical aid to Herrick's child		3 75
Stackpole & Lane goods for the poor		3 68
Wilson Foster	' '	10 35
P. Ballou house rent	' ' '	7 50
W. H. Hilpert wood for town house		2 00
C. H. Dickerson work on road and lumber		20 32
J. R. Rowell for lumber		4 00
F. H. Bartlett	' '	8 80
D. B. Bartlett	for breaking roads	12 38
S. & F. G. Dickerson	' ' ' and lumber	31 36
John H. Emmons	' ' '	9 24
H. S. Esterbrooks	' ' '	10 95
E. T. Eastman	' ' '	15 00
M. G. Dustin	' ' '	15 00
Wm. T Hannaford	' ' '	6 72
Nathan Cole	' ' '	4 68
Perley Dickerson	' ' '	13 50
Wm. Hersey	' ' '	29 16
J. W. Favor	' '	15 73
J. G. Eastman	' ' '	15 00
R. W. Quimby	' ' '	24 00
A. J Phelps	' ' '	18 67
John Flanders	' ' '	11 70
E. W. Mason	' ' '	30 65
		$413 92
Amount brought up		413 92
Paid Osman Gale	for breaking roads	7 20
' E. E. Calley	' ' '	4 32
' S. C. Dearborn	' ' '	18 20
' J. W. Huntoon	' ' '	48 00
' D. S. Woodward	' '	9 90
' Silas Ballou	' '	4 80
' S. W. Carleton	' '	7 90
' A. Gerry	' '	2 01
		515 28

Town expenses for 1869

Paid E. W. Lane	services as town clerk	19 88
" K. E. Dearborn	" sup. school com.	40 00
" J. W. Favor	for collecting taxes	60 46
" Carr Huse	services as selectman and treasurer	53 45
" John Flanders	" " "	111 90
" W. H. Morrill	" " "	41 65
" L. W. Fling	" " " counsel	13 00
" B. W. Sanborn	for blanks and books	8 17
		348 51

Support of the poor.

Paid J. W. Favor	for L. Mowe	100 00
" Curtice N. Blake	goods " "	42
" I. T. Parker	" "	5 53
" I. M. Bishop	services as physician	49 00
" I. T. Follansbee	for M. Sawyer	100 00
" I. T. Parker	for goods " " "	3 00
" A. D. Caswell	" " Keaton family	25 85
" D. P. Prescott	" " "	2 50
" Sewall Dickerson	house rent for Keaton family	2 20
" Morrill Dickerson	for goods " " "	4 77
" I. M. Bishop	med. att.	15 00
Amount brought up		308 27
Paid C. N. Blake	goods for Dow family	109 41
" I. T. Parker	" " " "	16 07
" John Flanders	" " " "	23 50
" P. Ballou	house rent " " "	3 75
" C. N. Blake	goods for N. Cole	4 05
" A. D. Caswell	" " " "	1 00
" Samuel Wells	for transient poor	3 00
" H. N. Brown	" " "	1 50
" A. D. Prescott	" man	1 75
" John Flanders	For M. Scribner	5 00
" John Flanders	For Moses & Lavina Colby	8 78
" C. H. Dickerson	" " " " "	2 50
" D. F. Dustin	" " " "	13 70
		502 28

Roads and Bridges.

Paid J. Hoyt Marden	for stone	1 00
' Folsom Morrill	' falls	3 00
' A. D. Prescott	' board of help	6 60
' D. R. Smith	' ' ' '	9 90
' E. G. Adams	' work on road	4 20
' G. W. Sargent	' ' ' '	4 25
' W. H. Hilpert	' ' ' '	1 50
' H. S. Esterbrooks	' ' ' '	5 30
' A. A. Woodward	' ' ' '	5 00
' D. B. Dickerson	' ' ' '	3 83
' C. H. Dickerson	' ' ' ' & lumber	6 02
' H. A. Brown	' ' ' ' ' bridge	4 00
' Milton Mason	' ' ' ' ' '	21 00
' S. S. Straw	' ' ' ' ' '	9 00
' E. W. Mason	' ' ' ' ' '	32 50
' E. G. Bartlett	' ' ' ' ' '	20 37
' John Boynton	' ' ' ' ' '	4 90
' Samuel Wells	' ' ' ' ' '	4 00
		146 37
Amount brought up		146 37
' J. D. Stackpole	work on bridge	6 00
' W. H. Morrill	' ' '	9 00
' Joseph Young	snowing '	3 80
' John Flanders	work on roads and bridge	135 00
' J. M. Currier	' ' ' ' '	31 50
' D. Turell	' ' '	9 00
' L. T. Dearborn	' ' '	2 50
' Walter Butterfield	' ' '	2 67
' M. E. Southworth	' ' '	11 00
C. B. Cole	' ' '	11 84
' M. F. Little	' ' '	9 00
' Gilman D. Laney	' ' '	24 00
' I. K. George	' ' '	17 00
' W. F. Hannaford	' ' '	6 22
' James Jones	' ' '	11 00
' Moses Bartlett	' ' '	8 00
' S. W. Carlton	' ' '	18 00
' Orrin Lebarron	' ' '	13 00

" C. B. Blodget	" " "	33 57
" E Hathorn	" " "	8 00
" J. R. & J. W. Adams	" " "	7 70
" Ezekiel Colby	for use of scraper	1 55
" C. W. Huse	for board of help	11 50
" George M. Huse	for work on road	6 05
" C. Dufer	" " "	2 00
" S. U. Dearborn	" " " and lumber	22 00
" W. C. Kelley	work on road	14 97
" James B. Calley	mending too-s	6 25
" C. N. Blake	for spikes	1 22
" W. B. Calley	for plank	12 06
" I T. Folansbee	for work on bridge	11 00
" J. G. Eastman	for work on road	3 00
		615 89
Amount brought up		615 89
Paid Geo W. & Geo A. Sumner	for land damage	100 00
" Walter Butterfield	for release of damage	27 00
		742 89

Paid on notes.

Paid Bethuel Locke	60 00
" Dimond Shaw	200 00
" W. B. Calley	310 13
" D. A. Richardson	105 00
" Wheeler Eaton	300 00
" Benjamin Calley	176 76
" Watson Dickerson for E. L. Eastman	60 00
" W. H. Morrill	101 30
" Frank W. Eaton	50 00
" Abigail Lovering	7 00
" J. R. Rowell	713 10
" Joseph Prescott	5 40
" Polly F. Hersey	161 73
" W. H. Hilpert	310 00
" Robert Morrill	507 03
" Samuel Brown	141 38
	3148 83

Paid Several School districts.

Dis. No. 1.	199 15
" " 2	42 44
" " 3	65 86
" " 4	83 44
" " 5	75 62
" " 6	59 91
" " 7	38 00
" " 8	46 33
" " 9	43 90
" 10	35 00
	689 65
Paid State tax	1050 00
" County tax	451 45
" School house tax in Dis. No. 3	15 00
" Nonresident highway tax worked out	2 03
Incidental Expenses-	
Paid J, T. Nelson	1339 48
" A. F. Pike sevrices as concil in Nelson case	215 91
" Dixi Crosby services as expert in " "	60 00
" L. M. Knight " " " " "	25 00
" John Flanders cash paid out " " "	20 30
" W. F. Morrill " " " " "	10 00
" A. D. Prescott for board of council & witnesses in Nelson Case	17 75
" J. R. Rowell expenses in Nelson case	6 30
" S. U. Dearborn witness in " "	2 67
" G. W. Dearborn watering trough and witness in Nelson case	3 50
" For use of money	16 00
" H. Brown damage to horse	3 00
" Express bill and stationary	1 20
" Damage to sheep by dogs	3 00
" R. Quimby excess on taxes	3 52
	$1727 50

Recapitulation.

Amount of money received by treasurer	10434 50
which is accounted for as follows	
Paid outstanding claims	515 28
" Town expenses	348 51
" Support of poor	502 28
" Roads and bridges	742 89
" On notes	3148 83
" School districts	689 65
" State tax	1030 00
" County tax	451 43
" School house tax in district no 3	15 00
" Nonresident tax worked out	2 03
" Incidental expenses	1727 55
" Due from collector	600 00
" Cash in hands of treasurer	641 05
	$10434 50

Respectfully submitted
John Flanders } Selectmen
W. H. Morrill } of Hill.

The undersigned having carefully examined the foregoing accounts find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

Sewell Dickerson } Auditors.
John H. Emmons }

Outstanding claims against the town.

Due on notes as follows

Sarah A. Quimby	53 00
Dimond Shaw	318 00
M. J. Morrill	514 00
S. H. Currier	537 00
Edward Colby	768 00
S. F. Clemment	17 00
Moses Bartlett	766 00
F. W. Eaton	564 00
Samuel Brown	297 00

Nancy Fowler	138 00
Alfred Davis	143 00
Moses Dustin	720 00
Joseph Prescott	411 00
Robert Morrill	290 00
Sally A. Sanborn	314 00
A. D. Caswell	418 00
Perley Dickerson	324 90
Hulda S. Dickerson	69 00
Betsy Carlton	136 00
Wheeler Eaton	950 00
Mary A. Dearborn	135 00
Jonh W. Curtice	1388 00
Lucy Evans	63 00
Saloame P. Sargent	252 00
Hannah Foster	105 00
Daniel Tyrell	199 00
Sewall Dickerson	64 00
Albert Bush	74 00
E. T. Eastman	597 00
Leroy D. Bartlett	458 00
D. A. Richardson	1560 00
	12942 00
Amount brought up	12942 00

Due on notes

Nancy Bartlett	$ 15 00
Bethuel Locke	507 00
George A. Boynton	114 00
Chase W. Colby	548 00
Curtice Weeks	399 00
Abigail Lovering	100 00
Abby Caswell	794 00
Mary Davis	248 00
M. E. A. Dickerson	241 00
J. R. Rowell	329 00
Ellen F. Eastman	1035 00
John Clemment	218 00

Pliney E. Heath	624 00
Eliza M. Ward	41 00
Amanda G. Hannaford	41 00
R. M. Davis	103 00
Nancy E. Sargent	41 00
Georgia A. George	50 00
Outstanding claims estimated at	300 00
	$18690 00

Due the town

Real estate	50 00
From collector for 1867	130 00
From collector for 1868	24 00
From collector for 1869	600 00
Cash in hands of treasurer	641 05
	1445 05
Leaving a balance due from the town of	17244 95

John Flanders } Selectmen
W. H. Morrill } of Hill.

REPORT OF THE

Superintending School Committee

of Hill for the year ending March, 1870.

1 Two Terms taught by Miss Marston. Miss M. is a teacher of considerable experience she exhibits much skill in the art of governing and imparting knowledge. Examining at the close of the first term was highly gratifying to both parents and committee. The second term the committee was unable to visit at the close. Registers perfect.

2. One Term taught by Miss Knox; Miss Knox was obliged to close her school on account of sickness, so the Committee was unable to visit it at the close, but by what he could learn by the parents. Miss Knox kept a very satisfactory school.

3. Two Terms taught by Miss Mary Hersey. This was Miss Hersy's first attempt to teach; she manifested much interest in behalf of the scholars; bids fair for a successful teacher. Examination creditable.

4. Two Terms taught by Miss Sargent. Miss S. is a teacher of some experience but by some means the summer term was nearly a failure. Miss Sargent gave much better satisfaction, the fall term. The school closed with much credit.

5. Two Terms taught by Miss Morgan. Miss M. being a teacher of some attainment, also has the faculity of getting the good will of her scholars. The school made the desired improvements.

6. One Term taught by Miss Rollins. Miss R. is a teacher of some experience, but lacks much for energy and perseverance. The School made fair improvemet.

7. One term taught by Miss Lucy Calley. Miss Calley is a young inexperienced teacher. She appeared to try hard to instruct her scholars, experience will teach her that good order is necessary even in the smallest of schools. Examination fair.

8. One Term taught by Miss Emma J. Morrill. Miss Morrill appeared to try hard to instruct her scholars, but some of them must learn to love study better. That is if they want to make first class scholars. The last visit of the Commmittee at the close of the school proved satisfactory.

9. One Term taught by Miss Emma Bartlett. She is a teacher of but little experience, bids fair for a successful one. The school opened fair. Examination was commendable.

10. One Term taught by Miss Lucy Heath. Miss Heath had not a fair chance to exhibit her skill as a teacher, her school being small and backward; evidently she did the best she could considering the disadvantage which she labored under.

GENTLEMEN;—In the report which it is my duty to present, I will commence by mentioning the relation of teachers toward their scholars. It is the duty of teachers at the commencement of their schools to try to gain the good will of their pupils for without securing the confidence and affection of their scholars, there can be comparatively but little if any benefit derived from their teaching.

It is the duty of every teacher to form habits of neatness, industry and subordination, to develop the affection and intellectual powers and to impress upon the minds those ideas and principles which shall mould the character for life.

Success in any thing depend much upon the manner of its commencement, the District School is the starting point of an education it is the place to learn the rudiments, and to form some emportant habits for future success. If so is it not worth while to take some pains te procure teachers that are qualified for their position? It is a very common opinion that young teachers, even those of limited qualification will do to teach our small schools, and such persons are imployed, because they can be obtained at lower wages than well qualified and experienced teachers demand.

A teacher as a general rule that is not qualified to teach an advanced school is not competant to instruct youth in a small one.

The disciplin in our schools for the past few years has not been so good as it ought to have been. There are in some of our schools a few troublesome scholars, who apparently do but little except annoy their teacher, and set a bad example to the other children. I am opposed to indiscreet use of the rod, but while moral suasion has been quite sufficient for the children who are governed at home. The rod has most generally been resorted to with those children without parental government; therefore I feel that to abolish corporial puni shment would be fatal to the government of our Schools; I know that for years, many persons have predicted a Millennium Age. when the rod is to be discarded; but thus far I can not perceive the least sign ofits approach, nor do I expect until we have attained the State of profection. The prospects for which are not over flattering at the present time.

Prudential Committee should be careful not to allow any teacher to commence school without a certificate as required by law.

I call attention to the fact that the laws of the State require that every teacher at the close of his school, and at the end of each term thereof, Shall make a return of his register or record to the school committee of the town, who shall give to him a certificate thereof, and no teacher shall receive payment for his services until such certificate is produced, and delivered to the Prudential Committee.

In conclusion, I feel highly gratified for the respect which both the teacherands scholars have shown me since I first began my la bor as Committee. They are intitled to my highest esteem.

Kenson E. Dearborn.

Hill, March, 1870.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

No. of District	Summer, Winter and Fall Terms.	No of weeks of School.	Whole No· of Scholars.	No. in Reading.	No. in spelling.	No. in Penmanship.	No in Arithmetic.	No. in Grammar.	No. in Geography.	No. in History.	No in Philosophy.	No between 4 & 14 who have not attended School.	No. between 14 & 21 who are unable to reed & write.
1	Summer.	16	30	30	30	19	25	10	12	2			
	Winter.	11	45	45	45	28	40	22	12	5	4	2	
2	Fall.	6	14	14	14	6	8	2	5				
3	Summer.	6	8	8	8	3	8	4	4				
	Fall.	8 1-2	13	13	13	7	12	4	10				
4	Summer.	6	23	23	23	8	11	3	8				
	Fall.	12	22	22	22	6	15	5	8			4	
5	Summer.	8	18	14	14	11	13	4	7				
	Fall.	10	24	20	20	20	20	6	8				
6	Fall.												
7	Summer.	10	14	13	13	10	10	2	5				
8	Fall.	11	14	14	14	10	12	3	7				
9	Summer.	9	11	11	11	2	7	2	3				
10	Fall·	8	3	3	3	2		1					